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SUBJECT: DOG ISLAND

1. EMBOFF MET WITH PATRICK DUFF, ASSISTANT HEAD WEST INDIAN AND ATLANTIC DEPARTMENT AT FCO, ON MONDAY, MARCH 17, TO DISCUSS DOG ISLAND.

2. DUFF HAD JUST RETURNED OVER WEEKEND FROM TRIP TO WEST INDIES, INCLUDING VISIT TO ANGUILLA. HE BEGAN CONVERSATION BY SAYING HE HAD HEARD OF REPORTS OF WHAT HE SUPPOSEDLY TOLD WEBSTER, I.E. THAT THE BRITISH WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ANGUILLAN PARTICIPATION IN U.S.-BRITISH TALKS ON DOG ISLAND. DUFF ADDED THAT LETTER TO JOAN LESTOR ON THIS SUBJECT HAD FAILED TO MENTION THAT HE HAD SAID ANGUILLAN PARTICIPATION "AT SOME STAGE" WOULD BE APPROPRIATE, AND AT THAT POINT HMG WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION. MEANWHILE, THAT POINT HAS NOT YET BEEN REACHED, WHAT BRITISH STILL WANT IS ENTIRELY PRIVATE MEETING BETWEEN BRITISH AND U.S. OFFICIALS ON TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF PROPOSED AGREEMENT.

3. AMONG OTHER INFORMATION, DUFF SAID, BRITISH WOULD LIKE TO KNOW:

A) WHO WOULD SIGN AGREEMENT? WOULD IT BE

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BETWEEN USG AND HMG, WHICH IS WHAT

BRITISH WOULD PREFER.

- B) WOULD THE AGREEMENT INVOLVE A LEASE, AND
WHAT WOULD CONSIDERATION BE?
- C) WHAT WOULD EFFECT BE ON SHIPPING AND
FISHERMEN WHO WOULD HAVE TO BE ADVISED?
- D) WOULD USE OF ISLAND INVOLVE ANY CON-
STRUCTION?

4. BRITISH CONTINUE TO BE CONCERNED OVER SOME ASPECTS OF PUERTO RICAN OFFER OF ELECTRICITY FOR DOG ISLANDERS. THEIR CONCERN ARISES FROM FACT THAT PROVISION OF POWER WOULD REQUIRE WHAT BRITISH BELIEVE WOULD BE EXPENSIVE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, WHICH THEY HAVE ALREADY REFUSED TO FINANCE FOR SOME AREAS OF ANGUILLA BECAUSE IT COULD NOT BE JUSTIFIED UNDER DEVELOPMENTAL CRITERIA FOR ASSISTANCE. DUFF SUGGESTED THAT AT TECHNICAL MEETING, U.S. ANSWERS TO THESE AND OTHER QUESTIONS WHICH WILL BE PROVIDED BY FCO AND MOD SHOULD BE SPECIFIC AS POSSIBLE.

5. WHEN EMBOFF AGAIN RAISED POSSIBILITY OF REACHING AGREEMENT WHILE RESERVING LEGAL CLAIMS TO SOVEREIGNTY ALL OF PARTIES INVOLVED, DUFF TOOK DIFFERENT TACK THAN HE DID DURING FIRST TIME THIS WAS RAISED WITH HIM DURING TALK WITH FRENCH IN OCTOBER. THIS TIME, DUFF SAID, THIS PROPOSAL SOUNDED PROMISING AND SHOULD BE RAISED AGAIN DURING COURSE OF TECHNICAL TALKS. ON PURELY PERSONAL LEVEL, DUFF SUSPECTED SUCH AGREEMENT MIGHT HAVE TO ALSO INCLUDE SOME CONSIDERATION FOR BRADSHAW TO GET HIM TO GO ALONG.
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